IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 4-11, 16-17, and 20 as follows. Please cancel claims 2-3, 12-15, and 18-19 without prejudice or disclaimer. Please add new claims 21-22 as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

registering in a controller entity a plurality of contact addresses for a user ~~in a controller entity~~;

receiving a request at the controller entity for a communication link to the user;

querying by the controller entity a ~~user information storage~~ database for information regarding a manner regarding how to handle the request, said information indicating if said request is to be forked in parallel or sequentially; and

processing the request in accordance with the information from the ~~user information storage~~ database.

2-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently Amended) ~~A~~ The method as claimed claim 1, wherein the registering comprises registering the plurality of contact addresses for the user in the controller entity which is provided in association with a multimedia network.

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5.   (Currently Amended) A The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the registering comprises the user registering the plurality of contact addresses in at least two different communication networks.

6.   (Currently Amended) A The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the processing occurs in accordance with the information from the ~~user information storage~~ database if no user preference has been indicated for the known contact addresses.

7.   (Currently Amended) A The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the querying comprises applying a query to a sub-group of the known contact addresses.

8.   (Currently Amended) A The method as claimed claim 1, further comprising indicating and assigning handling instructions for at least one contact address independently during registration of the at least one contact address.

9.   (Currently Amended) A The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the indicating and assigning comprises indicating and handling the handling instructions for the at least one contact address by either the user or the ~~user information storage~~ database.

10.   (Currently Amended) A ~~communication~~ system, comprising:

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a multimedia network provided with a controller entity configured to register contact addresses of a user; and

a ~~user information storage~~ database configured to store information regarding a manner regarding how to handle a request for the user, said information indicating if said request is to be forked in parallel or sequentially,

wherein the controller entity is configured to query the user information storage and configured to process requests for connections to the user in accordance with the information queried from the ~~user information storage~~ database.

11. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a register configured to register a plurality of contact addresses for a user; and

an interface to a ~~user information storage~~ database configured to store information regarding a manner regarding how to handle a request for the user[[,]];

~~wherein the apparatus is~~ a querying unit configured to query the ~~user information storage~~ database; and

a processor configured to process requests for connections to the user in accordance with the information from the ~~user information storage~~ database, said information indicating if said request is to be forked in parallel or sequentially.

12-15. (Cancelled)

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16. (Currently Amended) ~~An~~ The apparatus as claimed in claim 11, wherein the ~~apparatus~~ processor is further configured to process a request for a connection in accordance with the information from the ~~user information storage~~ database only if no user preference has been indicated for the known contact addresses.

17. (Currently Amended) A user information storage, comprising:

a user profile; and

~~wherein the user information storage is~~ a storage configured to store information regarding how to handle a request for connection to a user having a plurality of registered contact addresses and to respond to a query from a controller entity with information regarding the manner how to process the request for connection, said information indicating if said request is to be forked in parallel or sequentially.

18-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

registration means for registering a plurality of contact addresses for a user;

interface means for interfacing to ~~storage~~ a database means for storing information regarding how to handle a request for the user;

querying means for querying the ~~storage~~ database means for information regarding a manner regarding how to handle the request; and

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processing means for processing the request in accordance with the information

from the storage means, said information indicating if said request is to be forked in

parallel or sequentially.

21.   (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said querying comprises querying

the database in a user information storage which stores a user profile.

22.   (New) A method comprising:

registering in a serving call session control function a plurality of contact

addresses for a user;

receiving a request at the serving call session control function for a

communication linked to the user;

querying a database for information regarding a manner as to how to handle the

request, said information indicating if said request is to be forked in parallel or

sequentially, said querying being performed if no preferences for forking has been

indicated in said registering; and

processing the request in accordance with the information from the database.

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